



The Rampage

Taxpayers lower boom on government

The state educational system is the area that Prop. 9 probably will affect the most, and since more than half of the State Budget is used to fund state education, the college community, in particular, should be very aware of the possibilities of tuition or program cuts or both, advised Fresno Mayor Dan Whitehurst.

"It seems to me that's where so much of the State Budget goes and, with major cuts having to be made in the State Budget that, probably, the legislature will have to look to the educational system, not only university and state (systems), but the community and local school systems, elementary and secondary. I think it's important that those

communities, particularly, take a look at what the effects would be. I think tuition would have to be an outcome. If not tuition, then some rather significant cut backs in services and programs would have to result," he warned.

"It would be better for everyone if people knew more about how the system worked. Government is complex. It would help if people did know more about the basics of how cities are organized and what they do and what counties do. Counties provide a number of what are called 'urban services' and that adds to the confusion."

People are in an angry mood and the tax cutting trend will continue until people find out for

themselves what level of services they want. "I think that they will cut, and cut, and cut, until people really begin to feel the effects of the cuts. I don't think people have really felt the effects from Prop. 13, but when they do, and they are severe enough, then people may create the authority to add back some of the taxes that have been cut."

Mayor Whitehurst doesn't think it's going to work for public officials to go out and try to defeat Prop. 9, since people want tax cuts, they'll keep on cutting "until they feel it and at that point, they'll say — OK! That's enough! — whatever situation has hurt them, they'll want to ease it." Besides that, the credibility of local govern-

ment officials "has been shot," he confided, "and we figure people wouldn't listen to us anyway."

He went on to explain that at the time Prop. 13 was on the ballot, the message from Sacramento was that the state wasn't going to "bailout" local government, so local government officials went out to various groups saying, "This (Prop. 13) is a terrible thing." Then Sacramento did "what we didn't think they were going to do."

The state legislature enacted legislation to distribute to local governments a large portion of the surplus that had accumulated from the personal income taxes. The "bailout" was a significant amount and decreased the

anticipated loss of 7 million for Fresno to approximately 2 million. This has created a sort of state and local government "revenue sharing" since Prop. 13, but he points out that with passage of Prop. 9, the state will have nothing to share since the "bailout" money accumulated basically because of the personal income taxes in the first place.

"It's very difficult to gauge what the effect (of passage of Prop. 9) will be because we don't know what the response will be in Sacramento." It's estimated that four out of every five state dollars are returned to the local level for services. Some of those funds, the Mayor emphasized, have "strings" and must be spent on the programs for which they

are earmarked. "So, it's reasonable to assume that four out of every 5 dollars (returned to local government) cut would affect local government," and he indicated the programs that would be cut first as probably education, health, transportation, public works and welfare.

There was a lot of "over-planning" in anticipation of Prop. 13, but this time, Fresno isn't doing a really major analysis because of the uncertainty, much as before.

Our attitude is wait and see what the voters do," the Mayor confided, "then let's wait and see what the legislature does and then let's do what we have to do to keep the shop running."

Creighton makes his bid

by Tim Sheehan

In his first shot at "big time" partisan politics, David Creighton sees his chances for the Democratic nomination for the 17th Congressional District as "pretty good, if I can get out the issues."

Creighton, who has served on the State Center Community College District Board of Trustees for the past ten years with two years as Board president, is running for several reasons.

Among these he cited: "This is the only race where there are any contestants in the primary." Creighton expressed a concern for the need of a real race to bring the issues out for public

scrutiny.

On the question of President Carter's controversial proposal for reinstatement of draft registration, Creighton acknowledged a tentative approval of the plan, and extended his support to include the registration of women, but "only as a first step toward preparedness . . . It's true in our society that women do not have all of the rights that men have had . . . this is changing; it's slow, it's evolutionary rather than revolutionary . . . I don't think you can say on the one hand that you want all the rights that a man has and not take some of the responsibility, and

one of those responsibilities is, I think, facing the draft, just as I faced it."

Creighton also scrutinized the President's handling of the now-infamous Iranian hostage crisis, and summarized his views: "I'm not sure that I know what else he could have done. To go in and bomb Iran would have been very difficult. We're going to need Iran and Iran is going to need us. I'm very frustrated by it."

Each possible campaign issue came up in the interview, including the on-going nuclear power controversy. What side on the fence does Creighton take? "I think that for the time being, we have to have it, and hopefully science can find ways to 'clean it up.' I feel that we have more to fear from the increasing nuclear capabilities of the developing Third World nations."

As far as the campaign itself, Creighton doesn't intend to play to the special interest groups, but to appeal to the electorate as a whole. If he gets past the primary, where he feels that opponent Willard "Bill" Johnson has an advantage, he thinks that there is a decent chance to beat Republican incumbent Charles "Chip" Pashayan.

Creighton ventured that Pashayan might have as much as \$500,000 in the campaign coffers, whereas Creighton's campaign started only last week.

Creighton feels that a campaign to get out with some good organization and talk with the people can be more effective than the type of "Madison Avenue media productions" that have so typified the campaign trail.



Candidate David Creighton



Local artist Monica Williams.

Artist portrays "strange" images

by Peggy O'Rourke

M. M. Williams speaks with such force and determination that one can't help but believe in her or what she has to say. Her words flow smoothly like the colorful strokes of her paint brush.

M. M. Williams is inspired by a particular set of ideas, in the same way that other artists are. Most of her paintings consist of extraterrestrial images.

In February, a few weeks ago, Monica presented her spaceships and UFO's to the First Lady Rosalynn Carter.

"I have never had an encounter. If I did have an encounter, I would be more than thrilled because I would want to learn about them. I can't shake the feeling that I'm always in the presence of someone. Sometimes I can draw a ship and sometimes I can't. Often I will be sitting, and the ship will automatically appear on my finger tips, or on the paper," says M. M. Williams.

The struggle of most artists is

establishing one's self as a professional artist, a dream that most artists hope to achieve. Belonging to an organization is good stepping stones in becoming an established artist.

"The Central Valley Kumba artists have not gotten the support that they should have. In art it is very hard to get a following in such a town as Fresno, because Fresno is not geared to art in the same way that other cities are. Also, I can't go over to the Fresno Art Center and say, Central Valley Kumba's art organization wants to give an art show, because they have been booked up for the entire year. And not once have they invited us!" states M. M. Williams.

The Renaissance, was not the only place of creativity. Last summer, the San Francisco Museum of fine arts presented 5,000 years of creativity. Much of it included Korean, Japanese, African, and Chinese art.

"If you stop creativity, you can stop a whole civilization. At one

time we were a society of creative people. We had our own number system devised, and our architecture was advanced; that has all been destroyed. However, we are still a group of creative people," says M. M. Williams.

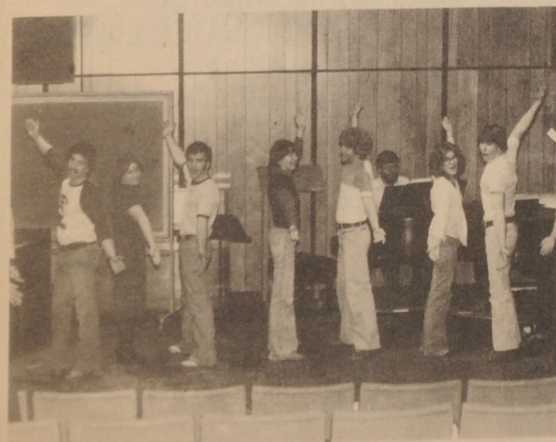
Only recently have we become aware that art does exist in the black culture. Moreover, and awareness of black consciousness among the black youth is rising throughout the United States.

"There is a low of everything in the black community. The standards are low, and there is little incentive for our youth to learn," says M. M. Williams.

In the last part of April, the Pan African Student Union will be celebrating Black African History Month through poetry, songs, and the Foe Dia Congo dancers will perform. PASU is also presenting speakers and introducing black faculty members. Also included in this event are a variety of dishes prepared for all the students at FCC.

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Runners: On your mark; get set; go!

by John Loughney

Get your running shoes ready! The Fresno City College Theatre will be Sponsoring a Jog-O-Thon to raise money for the purchase of a Concert Organ. The event is scheduled for Saturday, April 26, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 at Ratcliffe Stadium. There will be two heats: The first starts at 10:30, and the second at 12:00 noon. Runners may enter either heat at will.

Participants are asked to walk, jog, wheel, or run for one hour as far as they can go. They are to obtain sponsors who will pay 10c or more per lap. They will receive one-half of the funds earned by their runners if the total reaches over \$100.

Individual runners who collect up to \$25 receive a participation ribbon and a certificate of

achievement. Those who collect \$25 or more receive a T-shirt; participants who collect over \$100 receive the T-shirt plus a distinctive one-of-a-kind belt buckle. Those five runners who collect the most donations will have their names engraved on a brass plate which will be permanently affixed to the Concert Organ.

Entertainment will be provided by the music department in a three-hour musical jamboree with bands, groups, and ensembles.

Sign-up sheets are available from Franz Weinschenk, Humanities Division, or Larry Kavanaugh in the Community Services Office (main administration building) at Fresno City College (442-4600, Ext. 8256).

City singers Jazz up for tour



Fresno City College's City Singers

by Yoko Koike

Members of the City Singers of FCC are warming up for their three week European tour starting on May 26th. Singing, playing, dancing, their minds are already in Europe.

The City Singers, composed of almost 20 FCC students, has widened its range of music since Dr. LeGrand Andersen joined the faculty 5 1/2 years ago. Jazz music is a remarkable addition to this class.

At the last European tour in England, the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, Austria, Switzerland and France in 1978, they introduced American jazz music. "Europeans didn't know much about American jazz, but they responded well. It was a lot of fun," said Dr. Andersen.

Now he is looking for a bass player to go to Europe as a member of the City Singers. Dr. Andersen is willing to see

anybody who has an experience in bass playing, at his office, in the Speech-Music building, room 206.

In this year, the City Singers will perform in Rumania and Bulgaria for 10 days each, and have 25 concerts. Most of the performance is jazz music, and each member will perform a solo or instrumental background.

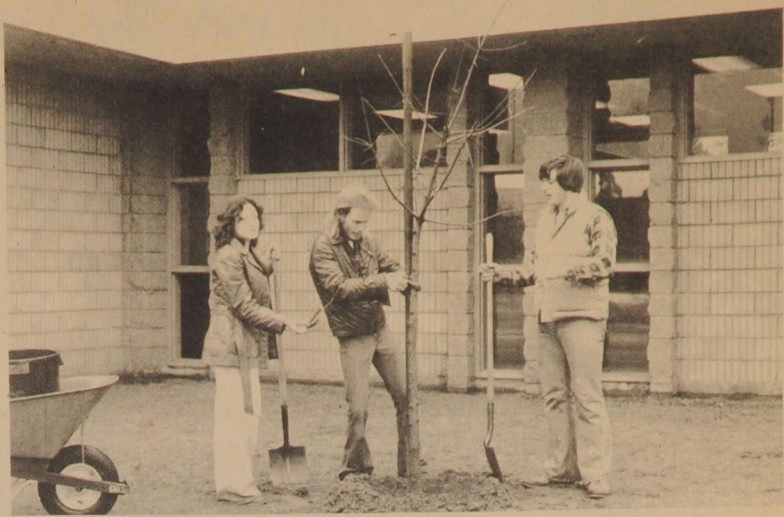
Since the beginning of January, they have been practicing for the tour, and most of the music is ready to be performed.

The students also make their own dance routines to the music for the tour. It will be a pleasure to watch as well as to hear.

Explaining about jazz music, Dr. Andersen said, "The United States has made two original music contributions. One is jazz music; another is Broadway music, the trait of jazz music is intricate rhythm and improvisation." He talks very quietly, but while he is conducting the students, his enthusiasm for music can obviously be seen.

The students are also excited to show the fruits of practice in Europe. Most of the members are non-music majors, but what they all have in common is a genuine love form music.

For the vocalists Laura Lykins and Mark Satterberg, it is their first time to be in Europe as the City Singers. They described their feelings as "excited" and "scared." They also worry about the political strain between the United States and Western Europe. But it is just a small event compared with their enthusiasm for music.



Green thumbs donate tree

by Joe Chabala

Students in FCC's Horticulture Club took time out from their busy schedules to honor three occasions — Arbor Day, Luther Burbank's birthday, and Bird Sanctuary Week — last week.

The club, which is comprised of students from Mr. DePry's Horticulture class, donated a tree to Heaton Elementary School and set up plant displays in the library.

Valeria LaFond, club president, said that in the past the club had done things for Heaton and the kids.

"We thought we would donate the tree to Heaton because it was so close. We wanted the kids to help us plant it, but things didn't

work out," said LaFond.

"The plant display in the library is to honor Luther Burbank. The plants will go back to the greenhouse in a week or so," she said.

Another activity planned by the club for this semester is cheering up people in old folks homes by giving them or helping them plant plants of their own.

"Just something to let them know that someone in the community is thinking about them," LaFond said.

"We're also having a plant sale in April. I think it gives people who don't usually have a chance to buy plants."

The club also works on different projects in the green

house area.

LaFond said the main thing she wanted to accomplish with the club is to "learn to work together doing different things for each other and people in the community."

Club meetings are held during class, in room S-280.

"As far as I know, no one outside the class has asked to be in the club. If they could make the meetings and so forth, I'm sure they could be apart of the club," said LaFond.

LaFond also said she was happy she got into the club. "I'm really glad I got into Horticulture because Mr. DePry is an excellent teacher. I have a good time and learn a lot."

POETRY

It is the compassion in the "Medical Aid" poems that causes a person to read the poems over and over and feel a genuine sympathy for the characters that Jones has so keenly portrayed.

The "Medical Aid" poems took shape while Jones was working as a welfare worker in Baltimore justifying claims for state medical aid, and here show the lives of America's "poor but proud," as in the case of "A Place for Joseph Sicosky" and an extremely touching "Mrs. Stanton."

Don Jones has also worked as a postal worker, which gave rise to the postal poems section of his recent book, "Miss Liberty, Meet Crazy Horse," and has taught at some of the finest colleges in the U.S. He has recieved the Academy of America Poets Prize at the University of Nebraska and was the recipient of the Vreeland Award in Creative Writ. He currently resides in Fresno.

Both "Medical Aid and Other Poems" and "Miss Liberty, Meet Crazy Horse" can be purchased at Kay Wagner's bookstore. His third book, "After the Silence," is now awaiting publication.



MRS. STANTON

Come to recertify
her claim for free care,
I tripped on the stairs.

Her bell didn't work,
the hall stank and was dark,
and I knocked and knocked.

At last with curses
at the scraping door, she peered
from her third floor perch.

Reassured
that I wasn't a thug or a drunk,
she backed by the sink

to let me in
through the kitchen squalor
to the junk-littered parlor.

With dignity
she asked that I be seated in
a rickety rocker that squeaked.

The light better,
I saw her clean shrewd face,
her stained and ancient dress.

The proud child
of pillars of the old city,
she now was starving and eighty,

at pains to impress
on my probably scoffing mind,
the fact she'd had a maid.

her father a carriage,
her long-dead husband a practice
of prominent patients.

Left broken
by his and their son's protracted,
fatal, and ruinous sickness,

she'd worked,
till too old, as a common clerk
for her fifty dollar Security,

her body
willed to Johns Hopkins but free
from any nurse's liberty.

She claimed
to have a doctor's degree
from an Ivy League University,

seemed alarmed
when I mentioned my master's
to help the visit pleasantly pass,

and fled to Time,
the copies given her that kept
her mind from "preying on itself,"

then screeched out
a popular song she'd published, adept
in thinking up rhymes while she slept.

With apologies
she served me a glass of water
on a clean refolded napkin and saucer,

and as I left,
promising to come back and talk
about old Poe and her novel safely locked,

she had me pry open
her kitchen window that a storm
had stuck shut, perhaps to keep her from harm

Review by Sevag Yaranian

Sweat can be a life saver

RIVERSIDE — Facial sweat in the marathon runner may have the same life-saving effect as the cold, wet nose of a dog in chase, says a scientist at the University of California, Riverside.

Both mammals endure lethal extremes of heat and exertion. Man may run temperatures deep within his body as high as 107 degrees Fahrenheit, a temperature that could cause derangement and irreversible brain damage.

"Until recently, it was believed that the temperature of the human brain was the same as the temperature of the rest of the deep body organs," says UCR physiologist Mary Ann Baker. "However, some recent studies in France suggest that a human doing heavy exercise may keep the brain cooler than the rest of the body."

It was Baker's experiments in the physiology of panting mammals that led to new thinking about humans under stress. In all mammals the brain is ultrasensitive to heat. Death of brain tissues may result from just six degrees rise in temperature above resting levels.

Baker found that while exercising, dogs keep their brains two to three degrees cooler than their bodies through a heat exchange system bet-

ween nose and brain that works like a car radiator. Although humans do not have nearly so elaborate a system, they may selectively cool their brains in a similar way through facial sweat.

"The most severe heat stress a human is ever likely to encounter is exercise," says Baker, a faculty member in the Bio-medical Sciences Division and Department of Biology.

"The production of heat by the muscles is enormous compared with anything you would be exposed to in the desert. That is why humans should not exercise strenuously in the heat of summer. It puts tremendous strain on the heart, which must do doubleduty getting blood to the muscles and moving the cooler blood from the skin surface through the the body."

Scientists now believe that humans, like dogs, may cool the arterial blood supply to the brain through a heat exchange inside the skull. Blood draining from the face collects in a reservoir at the bottom of the brain. This pool surrounds the artery that carries blood to the brain in the human.

Baker was the first to show that blood passing through this area in the brain of an exercising dog was cooled two to three degrees — literally a life-and-death difference.

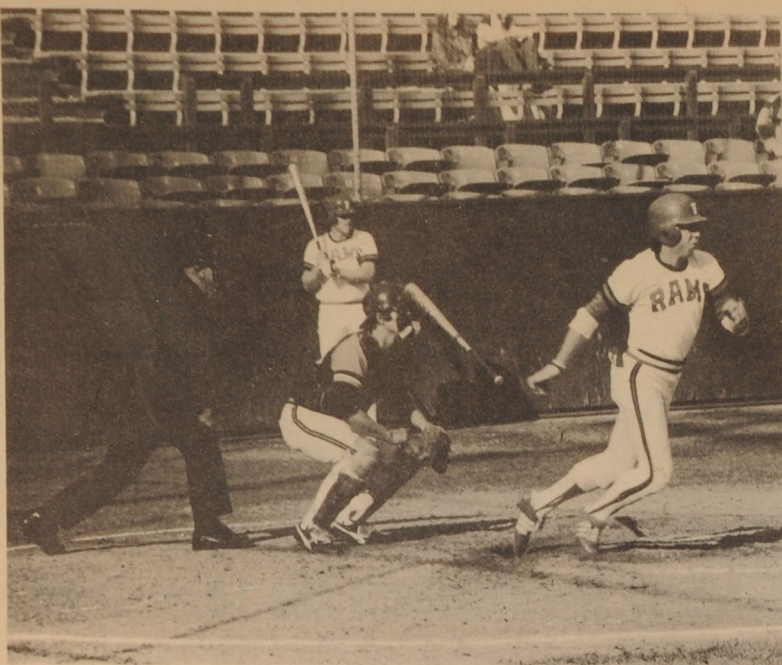
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Papagni, Dalena lead win over COS

The FCC Ram baseball team soundly defeated the COS Giants in a surprisingly high-scoring game to kick off the first official Valley Conference league game Sat.

FCC Coach Len Bourdet's team dumped the Giants 14-9 in a game which had 23 runs and a full 29 hits.

It also marked the first time one of the Ram's men's team's were able to defeat COS so far this school year.

Credit must go to the first four batters in the Ram lineup, Ken Groth, Anthony Ramirez, Mike Hansen, and Pete Dalena, who all had 3 hits apiece. Right-fielder Nick Papagni had 2 hits

and 4 R.B.I.'s.

FCC pitcher Steve Ellsworth allowed 6 runs and 7 hits before being relieved by Kurt Walker, who got zapped for 3 runs and 4 hits.

The win boosted the Ram record to 7-4, and Coach Burdet merely said, "I was pleased with the way we hit the ball."



Relay women take 95-82 win

FCC squad takes first place



Second baseman Mike Hanson makes the play to first

The FCC Ram women's track squad was to have lost a lot from last year's team with the departing of Connie Hester, Diane Macias, and Roxanne Kasparian. The Rams weren't supposed to do so well.

Mona Yates won the 100 meter dash with a 12 flat school record time, and she contributed to the 800 meter relay team of Shari Jackson, Roxanne Wright, and Kim Edmunds.

The Rams finished with 95 points. American River came in second with 82 points in the Valley Conference Relays last Saturday.

Frankie Sconiers added a school-best high jump of 5-4 and the team also came in with firsts in the 400, sprint medley and mile relay and long jump.

On the men's side, Ozell Thompson ran a 20.9 leg in the Ram's victorious 800 relay team.

The men finished second to American River 134-128.

Rene Scott won the 100 meter dash in 105 and anchored the 800 and 400 relay teams. Scott Thornton came in second in 9:26.5 in the two mile. Dan Rhoades took a second in 15.2.

FCC takes on American River and the College of the Sequoias Friday at 2:15 in Ratcliffe Stadium.

Fellowship important to Mike Hambe

SUSANNE BERRY

Mike Hamby is a member of the Fresno City College swim team. This is his second semester at City College. He plans to transfer to UCLA in the Fall of 1981.

Mike has been swimming for nine years now. He is a graduate of Sanger High School, where he was captain of the team for three out of the four years he was on the team.

Mike said, "Out of the three years I was captain, two of those were victories."

He set five high school records, which included the 200 yard free, 200 yard individual medley, 500 medley, 400 yard free style relay and the 200 medley relay.

Mike likes the 200 yard medley and the 100 yard butterfly out of all the different strokes. "The butterfly stroke takes more coordination and more endurance

Mike said, "Without the rest of the team nothing is possible. They give me the challenge, the strength and the motivation that is needed."

important people to me now because we help each other to work harder."

Mike is doing very well on the team. When he goes to UCLA, he



Muti-talented swimmer Mike Hamby credits team members

than the other strokes," commented Mike.

Mike concludes in stating that, "They (the team), are the most

doesn't plan on being on their swim team, however.

Women's basketball ends with 21-5 record

The FCC Ram Woman's basketball team officially ended its season last Thursday with a 52-39 loss to the College of Marin in the Northern California women's large-school basketball championships in Kentfield.

The third-ranked Rams suffered from cold shooting and multiple turnovers in the tourney. The Rams, who made Valley Conference champions,

hit a paltry 28 percent from the field and committed some 27 turnovers.

Carol Phillips was high scorer for the Ram squad, making 12 points, followed by Danella Barnes with 9.

The tournament was the last of the season.

Coach Chuck Stark's team ended the season posting a 21-5 record.

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Athletic Supporter

Upsets highlight sports

by Henry Gutierrez

Basketball. What a funny game. What you expect to happen sometimes doesn't. Take for instance the upset victory by "small school" division champion San Joaquin Memorial, over the "large school" division champion Fresno High Warriors. In a game that was only a formality for Fresno, the Panthers played what I thought was one of the best games in the history of the school. In beating Fresno High, SJM pulled off one of the most stunning upsets in San Joaquin Valley sports history.

To add to that the SJM women's team also won the Valley title over a gutsy Lemoore squad. These two teams earn a berth in the prestigious Tournament of Champions this weekend in Oakland.

My congratulations to the two coaches, Ms. Mary Brown and Mr. Ramon Esquivel, for the great jobs that they have done throughout the year. I might just like to add that Esquivel just happens to be my cousin. Good Luck to both the SJM squads.

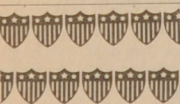
In the national spotlight, UCLA also pulled off an upset win over the No. 1 team in the nation with a 77-71 victory over DePaul. I still figure that the Bruins won't get by Ohio St. in the Western regionals. I also take this time out to pick Duke University to take the NCAA national title.

In the world of baseball, the fact is that spring training is in full gear and FCC has a good team again this year. The Rams will be led by hard hitting Pete Dalena and Nick Papagni.

Track and Field also has a place in the news with the Rams taking first in the women and second in the men's division at the San Joaquin Valley relays. Mona Yates and Ozell Thompson were standouts for the teams in the Saturday afternoon meet.

Tennis, golf, and swimming are also in full gear with the Ram athletes in the top of their conferences in their events.

With springtime finally here, the fine weather should bring out the best in our athletes, and support from the students and fellow athletes is an integral part of the program.



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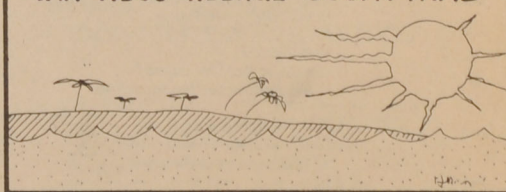
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